

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Fair to partly cloudy.
Weather synopsis: A trough extends from the Red Sea to the east Mediterranean.

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min.-Max.	Forecast
Jerusalem	13	19-30	21-30
Sofia	12	18-28	20-28
Nahariya	12	18-28	20-28
Safed	12	18-28	20-28
Tel Aviv	12	18-28	20-28
Tiberias	12	18-28	20-28
Nazareth	12	18-28	20-28
Haifa	12	18-28	20-28
Shimon	12	18-28	20-28
Tel Aviv	12	18-28	20-28
Lod Airport	12	18-28	20-28
Jericho	12	18-28	20-28
Qana	12	18-28	20-28
Beersheva	12	18-28	20-28
Ramat	12	18-28	20-28
Tiran Straits	12	18-28	20-28

DEPARTURES

Housing Minister Ze'ev Sharaf, for New York, where he will appear at UJA rallies (by El Al).

Elie Wiesel here on UJA mission

By MOSHE KOHN

Jerusalem Post Literary Editor American Jewish author Elie Wiesel ("Night," "The Jews of Silence") arrived over the weekend on a mission for the United Jewish Appeal. He brought with him medications, transistor radios and gifts for distribution among wounded soldiers whom he will visit. As guest of the Israel Defence Forces he is also to tour the Golan Heights, visiting military units and settlements hit by the fighting.

On his return to the U.S. he is scheduled to deliver a coast-to-coast televised talk on the situation in Israel.

French Jewish author André Schwarz-Bart ("The Last of the Just") has been in Jerusalem since last week, lecturing to French-speaking schoolchildren. He arrived with the intention of "helping out in any way possible," the Jerusalem municipal spokesman announced when he arrived.

In 1967, two months before the Six Day War, Schwarz-Bart was awarded the Jerusalem Prize, given biennially by the Jerusalem Municipality at the Jerusalem International Book Fair, to an author "who has contributed to the idea of the freedom of the individual in society."

The spokesman told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that no messages have been received from any of the other Jerusalem Prize winners. They are Swiss novelist and playwright Max Frisch (1965); Italian novelist Ignazio Silone (1966); Argentinean short-story writer and fabulist Jorge Luis Borges (1971); and French playwright and essayist Eugene Ionesco (1972). The first laureate, in 1963, was the late Lord (Bertrand) Russell.

M.K.s leave for Geneva int'l parley

LOD AIRPORT. — The Israeli delegation at the forthcoming meeting of the Inter-Parliamentary Union in Geneva will press for a discussion of the Middle East situation in the light of "the Egyptian-Syrian attack against Israel."

The delegation, comprising Knesset Members Yohanan Bader, Ze'ev Harin, Zena Harman and Knesset Clerk Netanel Lorch, left yesterday by El Al for Switzerland. (Him)

Radio, TV loud reporters

The men and women of Israel's radio and television services yesterday got a pat on the back from their bosses — the Broadcasting Authority's managing board — for the job they have been doing since the war began.

In a statement issued yesterday, the board expressed its appreciation to all its personnel, but particularly to the war reporters and cameramen, who "under the most difficult conditions and at great risk to their lives, have been bringing the news from the battle fronts to the public."

Nahariyan killed in car collision

NAHARIYA. — A local resident, Ze'ev Katz, was killed here yesterday morning in a collision between the pickup truck he was driving and a private car on the Nahariya-Acre road. Katz, 47, died en route to the Nahariya Government Hospital. The driver of the car was detained for questioning. (Him)

TODAY'S POSTBAG

THE FIRST GROUP of American Jewish volunteers to come to Israel during the present war for civilian tasks under the auspices of Sherut Le'atzma — 85 men and women aged 19-28 — arrived by El Al last week. They will spend at least half a year here, and were sent from the airport directly to settlements that are short-handed.

MAGEN DAVID ADOM yesterday called on the general public to contribute donating blood. The organization noted that blood loss is its freshest after 10 days; therefore, blood donated at the beginning of the war, if it was not used, had been turned into plasma. (Fresh blood is preferable to plasma in most cases.)

Egypt says Israeli task force is now 'entirely besieged'

CAIRO. — Egypt's chief military spokesman, Maj.-Gen. Huz Eddin Mukhtar, said yesterday the Israeli task force which stormed across the Suez Canal last week has sliced only 10 km. into Egypt and is now being "besieged" in two small pockets by thousands of Egyptians.

"I can say the Israeli force is besieged entirely by the Egyptians," he told a news conference. Only last Wednesday Mukhtar had said the Israeli force "has been wiped out." He did not repeat this statement yesterday, but said the Israeli-held areas west of the Canal are "not large."

Asked whether the Israeli force on this side of the Canal threatened Cairo, he said, "they will never be able to reach Cairo."

He put Israeli losses on the Egyptian front since the war began at 303 Israeli aircraft, 25 helicopters, 600 tanks, 400 armoured vehicles and 23 naval vessels of various types.

Egypt has captured "a large number of prisoners" and inflicted an undetermined number of dead and wounded, the spokesman said.

Mukhtar said, "The rapidity of the U.S. military assistance to Israel is strange," adding that it goes directly to the battlefield. "American pilots are flying the planes into Israel," he said.

EQUAL TO LOSSES

Asked how many tanks and planes Washington has flown to Israel, he said he was sure "it is equal to the losses sustained by Israel."

A spokesman asked whether Egyptian and Syrian claims of shooting down more than 600 Israeli planes were exaggerated in view of the pre-war estimate of an Israeli Air Force of only 488 planes.

Gen. Mukhtar replied that Israel had 550 planes when the war started and has been resupplied since by the U.S.

He declined to discuss the type or quantity of Soviet military assistance to Egypt, saying it was not a question of public interest.

Asked how long the Israelis could continue fighting at the present level, the general said they would not have been able to continue this long without external assistance.

Asked whether Israel's major effort had shifted to Sinai, Mukhtar responded with a counter question to newsmen on whether they believed otherwise. He did not elaborate.

The six-day tank battle which



General Mukhtar

has been raging in Sinai will "undoubtedly have an effect on the outcome of the war," he said. But he avoided saying it would be decisive.

The Egyptian army has a "solid, cohesive front," ranging from 15 to 17 km. into Sinai, he said. He noted that Egyptian troops cov-

ered the entire front from the Mediterranean Sea to the Gulf of Suez — a distance of some 160 km.

Israel's defence of Sinai was based on three lines. The first was the "Bar-Lev Line" of heavily fortified positions which the Egyptian Army overran in six hours on the first day of the war, he said.

The second was a series of passes stretching northward from Mitla; and the third was an open area suitable for tank warfare.

In another briefing, Major General Gamal El Din Mohammed Ali told newsmen the Egyptian army practised for six years with scale models of the Suez Canal and Israeli defences on the east bank, before launching their successful assault on the "Bar-Lev line" 17 days ago.

"During the past six years, we conducted 300 experiments to overcome the waterway and the 'Bar-Lev line' and assault the strong points," he said.

All did not give a detailed description of the actual assault on the east bank, beyond saying that "we used almost every kind of crossing equipment known in the world."

Asked about the present fighting in the Sinai Peninsula, Ali said only that this was "a very conventional desert, and our forces will continue fighting there until they score victories." (AP, UPI)

Beirut newspaper reports: 'Canal crossing was an Israeli trick'

BEIRUT (AP). — Israel was reported yesterday to have tricked Egypt in crossing to the west bank of the Suez Canal.

Soviet-made tanks captured from Egypt in the Six Day War were used in the crossing operation, the Beirut newspaper "An-Nahar" reported from Cairo.

The captured tanks were manned by Arabic speaking Israeli crews "dressed in Egyptian military uniforms," the paper said.

"An-Nahar" quoted military sources in Cairo as estimating the Israeli force at one armoured brigade, in-

cluding 108 tanks, and 1,000 paratroopers dropped on the west bank after the tanks crossed.

"The infiltrating force set up positions near three Egyptian villages on the west bank, counting on the failure of villagers to discover the infiltrators' identity because all spoke Arabic, wore Egyptian uniforms and carried Egyptian army cards captured from war prisoners in 1967," said "An-Nahar."

"The infiltrating force could have been quickly and easily annihilated, but the Egyptian forces chose to liquidate the infiltrators slowly to avoid the total destruction of the three villages," "An-Nahar" added.

It said General Saad Eddin Shazli, the Egyptian army chief of staff, was personally conducting "the mopping up operation of the infiltrators."

By midday Saturday, Shazli had destroyed two-thirds of the Israeli force, knocked out 36 tanks and captured 36 others, "Israeli soldiers who refused to surrender are being annihilated," "An-Nahar" said.

The paper said the remainder of the Israeli force was "doomed, unable to carry out its assignment on the west bank."

Tel Mond convicts—give blood, ask to join the army

NETANYA. — Some 200 young convicts in Tel Mond Prison near here have contributed blood to the war effort. Many of them have been clamouring to join the armed forces.

The prison authorities have passed on a list of would-be volunteers to the army and are awaiting a reply. The prisoners include soldiers convicted for traffic offences.

One group of teenage prisoners has been allowed to work in kibbutzim to help replace members who have been called up.

Three top entertainers performing for troops

Jerusalem Post Staff

Three world-famous Jewish entertainers — poet Leonard Cohen, comedian Danny Kaye and singer Enrico Macias — are now entertaining Israeli troops. All three came here following the outbreak of war.

Cohen, who arrived unannounced several days ago asking to work at a kibbutz as a volunteer, has already given several concerts at the front. Kaye and Macias arrived yesterday afternoon.

Cohen, the poet-songwriter, acquired Israelis of being "militaristic" when he left the country earlier this year, after a stormy concert tour. Interviewed at an airbase yesterday by pool correspondent Yossi Me'ayan, he still appeared to be suffering from the shock of the war, and to be looking for new answers to questions which had been bothering him for some time.

"I felt like a bird sitting on a barbed wire" was how he described his feelings on hearing of the Egyptian-Syrian attack on Yom Kippur. "I just knew one thing — I had to be here with you."

At his first appearance at the base, Cohen was so seized with emotion that he used the interval between one performance and the next to write a new song, singing it immediately afterwards.

HOLY SOIL

The text tells of his seeking his brothers in the desert, are shedding their blood in the battle against evil being fought on holy soil. Cohen half-sung, half-declained this song before an audience of thousands who joined enthusiastically in the chorus: "My love, my love, come back to me."

After the appearance Cohen talked with a group of soldiers who had just returned from a mission behind enemy lines. With evident emotion he said, "At first I was afraid my quiet and melancholy songs weren't the sort of thing to cheer up front-line fighters. But I've learned that these wonderful kids don't need rousing battle hymns. I came to encourage them and they ended up encouraging me. I don't think I've ever known such deep and wonderful contact with an audience."

As for the war, he said he prayed "this nightmare will soon be



Leonard Cohen

over." He will remain in Israel as long as the war continues, he added. Cohen is appearing with Dana Rovinsky, Chahik Levy, Matti Caspi and Pupik Arnon.

Danny Kaye was grabbed by members of the Air Force as soon as he stepped off his El Al plane at Lod yesterday. The comedian arrived in white shoes, red socks, a two-coloured suit and his familiar hat.

When he reached the V.I.P. lounge he refused to give his passport to El Al's Michael Pinhasi so that the latter could stamp it as required by law. Apparently to keep Mr. Pinhasi from seeing his true age, the two men then ran a race to the Border Control counter, where Mr. Kaye stamped the passport himself. On the way he stopped to give onlookers his autograph.

Singer Enrico Macias brought three of his instrumentalists with him, plus all the cigarettes and whisky on his flight, which he bought to give to wounded soldiers. The group went straight from the airport to visit hospitals.

THE HAIFA BRANCH of the War Invalids' Association has adopted an armoured division on the Golan. They carry goodies to the soldiers in their cars, and visit the wounded in hospital.

Bombing of Majdal Shams se turning villagers against Syria

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

MAJDAL SHAMS. — Repairs were to begin today on the damage caused by Syrian bombs and shells in this Druse village on the Golan Heights. For the Syrians, however, the damage to their image among the local Druse is probably irreparable.

"Before these attacks, perhaps 10 per cent of the villagers were outright supporters of the Syrians," said the Druse political leader of the area, Sheikh Sulaiman Kanj, in an interview over the weekend.

"Now perhaps 2 or 3 per cent are for them." The villagers lived under Syrian rule until the Six Day War and almost all have family

ties in Syria. Many have been ambivalent in their feelings towards Syria and Israel.

The Syrian attacks on Majdal Shams and two of the other three Druse villages in the Golan have been clearly deliberate. The villages were first hit at 2 p.m. on Yom Kippur, the opening of the war.

Planes coming in from the north over the Hermon ridge, a few hundred metres above Majdal Shams, dropped bombs on villagers picking apples in the orchards outside the settlement. After the bombing runs, the planes turned to strafing. Four people were killed in this attack — according to one source, the four were brothers — and six people wounded. The apple orchards, a

principal source of income for the village, were half destroyed. Within moments the came under artillery fire. persons were killed, woman holding her eig baby. The baby was wounded. In the near Buk'ata a shell hit a family was having d the father and wound Massada, a man was k two daughters wounded. During the next two c two Druse were killed Majdal Shams and 11 w Last Wednesday, the S returned. Accurately a destroyed five houses on central square, killing wounding 15. Damage houses was extensive.

In all, some 250 house villages have sustained damage.

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Blind veteran, Druse father, 30,000 others buy bonds

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

A veteran blinded in the War of Independence has given all his savings (several tens of thousands of pounds) to the War Loan, according to the Haifa Branch of the War Invalids' Association.

A Druse father of six from the village of Rama, in Galilee, who was wounded in the 1967 conflict, undertook to buy IL2,000 in war bonds — the money to be deducted from his pension in 10 monthly instalments.

When the association tried to dissuade him, pointing out that this leaves him with only IL300 a month to support his family, he said: "I owe this to the State, even if my children and I have to eat bread and olives."

Some 30,000 individuals have purchased war bonds through the banks so far, to the sum of IL40m, it was announced yesterday.

Direct contributions (in addition to those made over the counter in the banks) are collected at parour meetings up and down the country. Particularly successful is a drive in Jerusalem to get contributions from new immigrants. In four meetings held so far, IL1m has been raised.

Paul Kollek, coordinator of the campaign in the Capital, has commented: "Immigrants from the West are used to fund-raising. Old-time Israelis could learn a lot from them."

The tall Mishav building in Omariya, "which has become so unpopular for sticking out like a sore thumb, sticks out for another reason now," Mr. Kollek said. "The residents contributed IL290,000 at a single parour meeting."

He added: "People need more information about a loan. It is not a bad investment, from the business point of view. The best gift-edged security, the 4.5 per cent Government Loan, yields 4.5% per cent after tax. The War Loan is also backed and gives 3 per cent net of tax — which is not so much less."

All senior employees of Amidar are devoting one month's salary to buy War Loan Bonds, and all its other employees are setting aside two weeks' salary.

Yitzhak Rabin, chairman of the War Loan Committee, called on all school headmasters to see that each of the 25,000 classes in the country's pri-

mary schools buys IL100 of bonds, out of their savings and pocket money.

Mr. Rabin heard yesterday from Haifa Mayor Yehoram Zissel that IL45m. has been contributed so far in that city.

Wizo is aiming in its 74 branches to levy IL1m.

Professor Israel Dostrovsky, president of the Weizmann Institute, announced yesterday that the Institute's "Friends" organisations abroad are devoting all their fund-raising efforts to the emergency appeal.

Sgan-Ahuf (Res.) Shlomo Tabari, chairman of the Soldiers Welfare Association, has urged the public to channel their donations in the names of soldiers at the front through the association — in order to eliminate overlap.

'Iraqi troops in Syria serve political aim'

TEL AVIV. — Ahuf (res.) Haim Herzog said in his daily radio commentary yesterday that the deployment of two Iraqi divisions on the Syrian front was not only to fight Israel but was also a political move aimed at controlling southern Syria and the border with Jordan.

He said the Iraqis in many respects are the tools of Soviet policy in the Middle East. "And there are indications that many of the units in the Iraqi force at the front are not exactly front-line combat troops," he added.

"The Iraqi purpose is political," Ahuf Herzog went on to say. "They are in fact trying to take control of southern Syria. Strangely enough, they are in a position to do that now, because the Syrians do not want to let them or the Jordanians go near Damascus."

The potential Iraqi influence on the Jordanian frontier is more political than military, he said. This could take the form of infiltrating Palestinian agents to conduct subversive activities against King Hussein's regime.

These moves bear the hallmark of Soviet strategy, he said, which is aimed at exploiting the war against Israel as well as inter-Arab differences to increase Soviet influence in the Middle East. (Him)

TERRORISTS CONTINUE BOMBARDMENT

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TERRIBLE. — Terrorists in Lebanon again fired mortars, bazookas and Katyusha rockets at settlements in Upper Galilee Saturday night, but there were no casualties and only minor damage.

At 1.30 a.m. yesterday the terrorists fired some 30 mortars and bazooka shells at Metulla. Kfar Shimon was bombarded with Katyushas and mortars, and bazookas were fired at Kibbutz Minara and at Beit Elhel, in the Hula Valley.

Trial of Libyan hijacker put off

TEL AVIV. — The trial of Libyan citizen Mohammed al-Toum, charged with hijacking a Lebanese airliner to Lod Airport last summer, has been put off until December 4. The District Court here decided on the postponement after the prosecution said the psychiatric committee studying al-Toum had had to stop work when one of its members was called up.

Al-Toum was arrested at Lod on August 16 after he arrived with a Beirut-bound Middle East Airlines flight from Benghazi. At the time he was quoted as saying he had planned the act to show that not all Arabs were hostile to Israel.

His attorney, Yitzhak Aderet, told yesterday's brief court session he was planning to ask the Attorney-General to drop the case against al-Toum. (Him)

JERUSALEM MUNICIPALITY

EMERGENCY BRANCH

The Jerusalem Municipality Emergency Branch and the Independence War Wounded Veterans Associations and the I.D.F.

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Jerusalem-Jericho-Jerusalem

Jerusalem-Jericho-Ramallah

Departures from the New Gate (opposite Notre Dame Building).

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the Langerman and Reich families

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that the marriage of their children

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which was to have taken place on Tuesday, October 23, 1973

at Kibbutz Alonim will not take place.

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Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences to our colleagues

Paul Silberstein

on the passing of his wife,

DUSHY

Hotel Managers Assoc of Israel.

We mourn the passing on Hoshana Rabba of our dear husband, father, grandfather, great-grand

YACHEIL YAAKOV BERMAN

Shifra Berman
Miriam Steiman and Fan
Abraham Berman and
The entire family in the
Shiva: 29 Rehov Ezra — Enel Brak.

In deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved

THEODORE MENKES

The funeral took place on October 15, 1973.

The family in Israel and abroad

Haifa.

To shoulder-launched rocket in Egypt's anti-tank arsenal

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — The Egyptians do have a shoulder-launched missile which can be used against Israeli tanks, reports received here yesterday. Earlier reports such a missile were the result of confusion, due to battlefield conditions, between the Russian bazooka-type RPG and the manually guided Sagger missile which is launched from the ground or from an armoured vehicle.

Shipyards hail work of their missile boats

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Israeli Shipyard's manager Eliazar Liberman told the press proudly yesterday that the shipyard's two missile boats, the *Shamir* and *Kosher*, have proved themselves highly effective in the field.

He said that, judging from battle reports, the ships (commanded some time before the war) "have shown themselves superior to the Sa'ar type missile boats built for the navy in Israel." The locally made boats "excel in fire power, he said, far the two ships, which are far more than the French-made craft, have been credited with the sinking of four enemy warships and with "probable" sinking of two more. He said that the ships have taken part in every naval action so far, against enemy ships and coastal installations.

The French-made Sa'ar, meanwhile, came in for praise by the Navy. Chief Shlomo Eliazar, in a radio broadcast, said that the Navy was in full control of the naval zones in the eastern Mediterranean, largely thanks to the ships.

He singled out the craft's speed and adaptability to all kinds of combat, including anti-submarine warfare, and the precision of its guns and Gabriel missiles.

Both weapons, as well as the Sam-7 shoulder-launched anti-aircraft missile, have been captured during the current war.

The RPG has an effective range of up to 200 metres, while the Sagger's effective range is up to three kms. The Sagger is an advanced version of the Shmel anti-tank missile which Israeli forces faced in the Six Day War.

The Sagger's warhead is a 2.75-kilogram hollow charge, which enables it to penetrate almost any thickness of armour in use in today's tanks. Similar missiles are made by many European countries and the U.S. The Sagger is operated by a crew of two.

The Sam-7 Strella anti-aircraft missile is launched from the shoulder, but it cannot be used against tanks, the specialists said. Its infrared homing system requires much more heat to attract it than that generated by a tank. In addition, its explosive charge, some 330 grams, would not penetrate a tank's armour.

The Sam-7 homes in on the heat waves emitted from a jet plane's exhaust outlets. The operator must get the plane in his sights and follow it until he gets a homing signal. After he fires, the missile flies automatically at the plane from behind.

The missile weighs some 10 kgs, and has an effective range of one to two kms. It can also hit a plane at 500 metres or up to 2.5 kms. The other Russian-made Sam missiles are radar-controlled and are much bigger, making evasion less of a problem.

The missiles which Arab terrorists intended to use against an El Al plane in Rome some months ago were of the Sam-7 type.

ISRAEL TELLS U.N.:

'Syria's missiles aimed at civilian targets'

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — Israel accused Syria on Saturday of meditated terror attacks by missiles, artillery and aircraft on uninvolved civilian targets, including heavy civilian casualties, in the Golan Heights.

Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoa, in a letter to Secretary-General Waldheim, listed 25 separate attacks on Israeli towns and villages near the Syrian front between the October 6 outbreak of war and Friday.

Syria has systematically subdued inhabited localities of an "uninvolved" nature to military and air attacks, he said. "These are premeditated attacks mounted by the Syrian forces in flagrant violation of the Syrian Government's international obligations."

They have been directed against villages and towns in the Jezreel valley, Galilee, the Hula Valley and Golan area, causing heavy civilian casualties in killed and wounded, he said.

He said that a total figure of the dead and wounded, but he said 13 civilians were killed in an attack on the Druse village of Maj-Shams last Wednesday.

A separate letter to Security Council President Sir Laurence Morley, Tekoa denied Egyptian allegations.

Train schedule changes announced

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The following schedule changes have been announced by Israel Railways, starting today:

The last train to leave Jerusalem weekdays will be at 4.55 p.m. The train continues to Haifa; passengers to Tel Aviv will change at Lydda.

The last train from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem is at 6 p.m., from Tel Aviv to Beersheba at 4.08 p.m., and from Beersheba to Tel Aviv at 12.54 a.m.

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After Syrian announcement Relatives abroad ask: 'Is Haifa burning?'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — "Is Haifa burning?" was the question phoned in from relatives abroad to many Haifa residents yesterday, following Saturday's official Syrian announcement that they had bombed the Haifa Refineries. The questioners appeared somewhat concerned by the time lag between the Syrian claim — which was utterly baseless — and the official denial by the Israeli army spokesman.

Halfhearted were able to reassure their relatives that the refineries had not been touched; that the nearest Syrians got was Nahariya, where a plane exploded on Saturday.

Some also pointed out that the very fact that the Syrians are again making fantastic claims (from which they had abstained during the first stage of the war, when their surprise attack met with some success) probably indicated that they were now definitely worried.

At 3.35 yesterday afternoon, the air raid sirens sounded here for the first time since the early days of the war. The alarm lasted for half an hour, but nothing happened. The Post learned that the alarm was sounded following air activity out at sea.

Yesterday a Swedish freighter, the *Boreland*, arrived here, after an unscheduled stop in Cyprus Saturday.

lingers said. National Insurance in any case only pays for three and a half days of hospitalization.

The director of Misgav Ladach, Reuven Kashani, does not think war tension has resulted in a significant number of premature births. "But you will have more babies than usual next August," he said, considering another aspect of the war.

Today's babies are often given names prompted by the war, ranging from *Sinaiya* and *Golan* (Golan) to *Mia* (Hebrew initials for "Judgment Day War") and *Dina* (from *Yom Hadin* — Judgment Day).

Hospital officials also report that mothers are quieter and more restrained in the delivery room, behaving apparently more concerned with the fate of their husbands at the front than with their own pain.

Arab mothers from the Jerusalem area continue to come to city hospitals for their deliveries, officials say.

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Western immigrants, some in the country only a few months, receive training in the use of light weapons — enabling them to do guard duty at settlements in the Judean Hills. (Mike Goldberg)

Blackout paper scarce as wardens crack down

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The latest shortage to be reported in retail stores around town is that of the dark paper used to black out windows.

The blackout regulations have been far from fully adhered to in the Dan Region, and civil defence wardens have been cracking down on violators. As a result, many people have just begun to shop for blackout materials, and dark paper as well as tape have slowly begun to disappear from stationary stores.

The Municipal Emergency Headquarters says "steps have already been taken to increase the supply of materials needed for blacking out homes, businesses and offices. The City will soon publish the names of shops where blackout supplies can be purchased."

Otherwise, there are no significant shortages in retail stores around town and the rush of shoppers at groceries and supermarkets has abated considerably. However, housewives still shop mainly for basic foodstuffs, rather than for what can be defined as luxuries. They also tend to shop early so as to be able

to obtain such items as cheeses, which are still in short supply due to delivery problems. The only outstanding supply problems are in the case of eggs and rice.

Eggs have re-appeared on the supermarket shelves after an absence of several days, but they are still in limited quantities. They are generally rationed — 10 to a customer — and disappear from the shelves early in the morning. Rice is also in short supply, not because Israelis are renowned rice-eaters, but because it is not a perishable product and is therefore a favourite of hoarders.

However, it too has begun to re-appear in retail stores in recent days, and is being very quickly snapped up.

An item no longer in short supply is pasta of all sorts (also favourites for hoarding). Noodle factories have been working in double shifts to produce enough of what has suddenly become a much-sought after item. Supermarket shelves are now filled with egg noodles, macaroni, and spaghetti, which have become so plentiful that they have lost their attractiveness for housewives.

The Municipal Emergency Headquarters announced yesterday that Hagan men would be guarding public shelters because emergency equipment prepared in some shelters has disappeared in the past few days.

The headquarters also announced that the underground space at the new central bus terminal being completed in Kikar Levinsky is to be turned into a giant air raid shelter. The builder, Arye Flitz, is helping the city in the project.

Delays confirmed in incoming mail

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The halt in commercial flights into Lod Airport (except El Al) is causing delays in the arrival of mail from overseas, a Communications Ministry spokesman confirmed last night. Outgoing overseas mail, however, is leaving regularly.

The spokesman said the most serious delays are in posts from world points not served by El Al. He said this mail, which is normally carried by other airlines serving Lod, must now be sent to cities served by El Al, where the sacks are loaded for shipment to Israel.

Many retarded kept in homes without shelters

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Welfare Ministry is keeping over 3,000 retarded youngsters and adults in institutions under its supervision, although many of the buildings have no proper air raid shelters. Right after the outbreak of the war the Ministry decided not to send inmates home — although it could legally do so.

Ministry Director-General Moshe Kurtz told The Post last week that Hagan (civil defence) authorities had ordered a home for some 100 retarded children near Tiberias to shut down because it had no shelter. "But we took on the heavy responsibility and persuaded Hagan it was in the best interest of the children to remain in the home," Dr. Kurtz said. "As a compromise solution we used volunteers to dig trenches and bolster the ground floor of the building with 2,000 sand bags," he added.

The decision was largely based on the experience of the Six Day War, Dr. Kurtz explained. "At that time we asked parents to take their children home from the Swedish Village institution in Jerusalem; but very few did." In addition to the absence of proper shelters in many of the older buildings (new buildings have shelters) about a third of the retarded cannot walk unaided and would

have to be carried to shelters in case of a raid, he said.

There is a staff shortage now, he added, as many women employed in the institutions are staying home to look after their families while their husbands are in the army. "We are using some volunteers to replace them," he said, "but it is hard to find the right type for this unglamorous work."

In several institutions near Ra'anana and Petah Tikva the Ministry is using yeshiva-student volunteers, especially for night duty. In spite of staff shortages the Ministry is also keeping open its 17 day-care centres for retarded children in various parts of the country.

Dr. Kurtz stressed that in the present emergency all welfare offices have instructions to cut through red tape and give immediate aid when required. He said that welfare had to help several families whose breadwinner had fallen or been taken prisoner, due to the time lag before Defence Ministry allocations are granted.

In answer to a Defence Ministry request the Welfare Ministry is also supplying social workers to go with officials whose job it is to inform families that one of their members has fallen or been taken prisoner.

'Argentina sympathizes with Israel'

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Despite Argentina's formal neutrality in the Middle East war, President Juan Peron's government sympathizes with Israel.

This is the impression of Ya'akov Tsaur, a former Israeli minister to Buenos Aires, who returned from there yesterday. Mr. Tsaur headed the Israeli delegation at President Peron's inauguration celebrations, and was received for a 45-minute audience with the President and his wife, Vice-President Isabella Peron.

Mr. Tsaur, who built up a warm friendship with President Peron during his first term in power in the fifties, reported that his reception by the President had been particularly cordial. The President declared there was no way to peace other than by negotiations, and his wife said enthusiastically that Golda Meir was one of the women she most admired.

Mr. Tsaur brought a personal message from Premier Meir to the President.

Mr. Tsaur found himself the centre of attention when the war broke out. He was interviewed by all 10 Argentine television stations and also by the major newspapers. He reported that people in Argentina believed the Arab forces were on the verge of victory, since most of the information reaching there was from Arab states. The Jewish community was therefore desperately worried.

Canadian Jewry 'more generous than in 1967'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The readiness of Canadian Jewry to give of their time, money and enthusiasm to Israel during this war far exceeds their efforts in 1967. This was the experience of Moshe Gilboa, political adviser to the Minister of Communications, who returned over the weekend from a fund-raising trip to Canada.

Mr. Gilboa arrived three days before the war began, and he was able to see the galvanizing effect of these crisis first days on the 120,000-strong community of Montreal. On the Saturday of Yom Kippur, the fast ended with prayers in all the synagogues when news of the attack came through.

On Monday, Mr. Gilboa met with 2,000 of the leading members of the community — and raised more than \$7m.

On the political front, the community's young people organized street demonstrations, which drew Jewish intellectuals and academics who had been long thought lost to the community and to Jewish identity. Jews of all ages queued for outside hospitals to give blood for Israel.

Knesset to put off elections; no date fixed

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Knesset will meet this Wednesday in special session at 10 a.m. to pass a bill postponing elections for the Eighth Knesset and municipal elections, but the Labour-Mapam Alignment leadership had not yet decided last night on a new date.

The Wednesday session, however, may not be the final one before the elections; an additional session may be required if the Knesset passes an open-date postponement bill or sets a date which proves to be unrealistically early.

Until the war intervened, the election date was planned as October 30.

The Labour-Mapam Alignment leadership has left the details of the bill in the hands of its Knesset faction executive. In Alignment consultations here yesterday, the proposal to hold elections on December 11 was generally considered as too early to be practicable. When a date sometime at the end of December or the beginning of January was suggested, some Alignment leaders said such a date might be misconstrued abroad.

Another proposal to leave an open date or set a fixed period from the end of hostilities, was criticized on legislative grounds. The general consensus in the Alignment consultations yesterday was that some new date be set in the bill to be passed on Wednesday; if it emerged in a few weeks' time that this date was infeasible, the Knesset would convene once again to pass a fresh bill setting a later date.

Tank lieutenant escapes by playing possum for 25 hours

By MORDECHAI ARTZIELI
Military Correspondent

A young Israeli tank lieutenant, surrounded by Egyptian soldiers who thought he was dead, played possum for 25 hours and then crawled to his own lines under cover of darkness.

The lieutenant, who is now back fighting with his unit, said the Egyptians stripped him of a gold chain hanging around his neck, took his identity disks and emptied his pockets. Finally an Egyptian soldier, unmoved by the "corpse's" blackbearded face, covered it with a sack.

"When the Egyptians launched their big counter-offensive in the central sector of the Canal last Sunday, we were ordered to break through the enemy troops who were dug in," the lieutenant told me. "We moved in a column along the road. The first tank was hit by a missile. A kilometre farther, a missile hit the rear of my turret. I was flung 10 metres from my tank and lost consciousness."

"When I came to, I found myself lying in a trench occupied by dozens of Egyptians. I saw their yellow helmets and their faces. They were firing missiles at our tanks. I closed my eyes again so they wouldn't notice I was alive. A few hours later an Egyptian soldier covered me with a dirty sack. It seems my sooty face unnerved him."

The officer went on to say that towards evening the Egyptians finally picked him up and heaved him out of the trench. "I didn't dare move a muscle. I knew that

if they found out I was still alive they would shoot me... I thought of my parents... of my friends in the army. I was parched with thirst."

"As soon as it got dark I started to crawl. The Egyptians didn't notice. I was sorry I didn't have any grenades on me. I crawled over to one of our disabled tanks. I found a jerrycan of water and drank some. I ate some battle rations I found inside the tank. Then I must have fallen asleep. Awakening at dawn, I saw some of our soldiers about 700 metres away. I waved to them. One of them came up to me. 'What's your name?' I asked him. 'Michael,' he said. 'You're Michael the Archangel,' I told him."

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Food exports going to Europe by air

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — With refrigerated ships cutting their calls at Israel ports, all of the country's exports of produce are being sent to European markets by El Al, according to Moshe Shavit, General Manager of Agrexco.

The exports include eggplants, avocados, carp, goose liver, day-old chickens and flowers.

He told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that during the second week of the war, Agrexco sent 290 tons of agricultural produce to Europe. During the first week of the war 100 tons were sent, and Agrexco is planning to send 400 tons of produce this week.

At Lod Airport's Agrexco terminal the goods are loaded on every available El Al plane, and every inch of space in all passenger flights leaving for Europe is being used to ship the produce. So far all the produce that has reached our terminal has been sent abroad," Mr. Shavit said. He added that European buyers appreciate the fact that during the war "we still have time to ship our produce, especially flowers."

Two groups of Christian pilgrims from the U.S. have cancelled their plans to visit several Arab states and have come to Israel instead. The Tourism Ministry spokesman, Michal Gidron, said yesterday that the groups, who total over 100 persons, arrived in Israel Saturday night on an El Al flight.

Mr. Gidron said that despite the war Christian pilgrims are evincing considerable interest in visiting Israel. "A relatively surprising number of pilgrims have been coming, not only from the U.S., but also from Germany, Holland, Switzerland and the Scandinavian countries," he told The Jerusalem Post.

Mr. Gidron gave one example, of a group of 400 West German pilgrims who were in Athens en route to the Middle East when the war broke out on October 6. "The group was divided," he said. "Some wanted to cancel the whole trip and return to Germany. Others wanted to continue. They finally took a vote and over two-thirds decided they wanted to continue to Israel — and Israel only."

They came and toured the country for seven days, despite the war.

Planning unit for wartime industry set up

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Problems faced by industry as a result of the war will be studied at a special "industrial emergency centre" established in Tel Aviv yesterday.

The initiative for the new unit came from Mark Moscovice, head of the Manufacturers Association, representing the private sector. Representing the other sectors are Gideon Lahav, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, for Government-operated industries; Ehud Shilo, of Hevrat Ovdim, representing the Histadrut sector; and Dan Carmon, who represents kibbutz industries.

At the centre's first meeting yesterday, the four partners decided that all factories should pay advances on October's salary to families whose breadwinners have been called up for national service. These advances will supplement the payments made by the National Insurance Institute and the Army, so that the family will get the same amount of money as if the breadwinner was working.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Mr. Moscovice also proposed that the Government weigh the possibility of introducing "daylight saving time" by advancing all clocks by one hour, to beat the blackout.

The four partners are to meet again today to discuss further problems. Their tentative agenda includes finding credit facilities for companies whose sales — including exports — have come to a standstill as a result of the war; haulage problems, since many factories are short of trucks; the shortage of skilled workers in many plants; "teasing" the plants on a priority scale so that raw materials, manpower, and other facilities can be directed to those contributing the most to the war effort; and the problem of many plants (as well as export firms) that cannot meet their export commitments and stand to lose their customers if they fail to export in time.

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October 22

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than do so, declaring that he had promised Congress to launch a thorough and objective probe of the scandal.

"Clearly," Nixon said, "the Government of the U.S. cannot function if employees of the executive branch are free to ignore in this fashion the instructions of the President."

Richardson had no immediate comment for reporters, but Cox said: "Whether our shall continue to be a government of laws and not of men is now for Congress, and ultimately the American people to decide."



BANGUI (Reuters). — The Central African Republic has decided to break off diplomatic relations with Israel, President Jean-Bedel Bokassa said in a radio broadcast yesterday.

Gen. Bokassa said the decision had been taken at yesterday's Cabinet meeting. He added that his government was making the break because of the responsibility for the deterioration of the situation in the Middle East and the sudden outbreak of war were entirely Israel's.

A White House announcement said the office of the special prosecutor in the Watergate case was scheduled as of 8 p.m. Saturday and "its function will be transferred back into the institutional framework of the Department of Justice where it will be carried forward with thoroughness and vigor."

FBI SEALS OFFICE

At the same time, FBI agents moved into the offices of Prosecutor Cox and refused to permit members of the press to remove even personal papers.

Watergate Special Prosecutor Archibald Cox on Friday gave his statement on President Nixon's refusal to relinquish White House tapes.

(AP radiophoto)

Over 200 feared dead in Spanish floods

MADRID (UPI). — Prince Juan Carlos de Borbon, Spain's future king, yesterday flew to the flood-stricken southeastern provinces to promise help to the victims of the nation's worst disaster in more than a decade.

Provincial authorities in Almeria, Granada and Murcia said 125 bodies have been recovered so far, with another 100 persons missing and presumed dead.

Cyprus and Libya to open embassies

NICOSIA (AFP). — Cyprus and Libya have decided to establish diplomatic relations with Israel, the two nations' foreign ministers said here yesterday. An official announcement of this is expected in a few days.

Observers here see the move as a part of a hardening of Cyprus' stand towards Israel. At present Israel is represented in Cyprus, but the island republic has neither an ambassador nor a consul in Israel.

Yugoslavia, Spain in World Cup tie

ZAGREB (UPI). — Yugoslavia and Spain yesterday drew, 0-0, in a Group Seven World Soccer cup qualification match.

Qualification from the group for the finals in West Germany now depends on the last match between Greece and Yugoslavia in Greece on December 19.

Soviet-Iranian trade

TEHRAN (AP). — Iran and the Soviet Union yesterday began five-day economic talks to further expand their trade, industrial and technical ties, already estimated at over \$2,000 million.

The discussions are being held between the Iranian Minister of Economy, Roshan Ansari, and visiting Soviet Minister for Foreign Trade, Nikolai Seachkov and their top aides.

Workers all over the World Support Israel

Messages of sympathy and support for Israel and the Histadrut have been received from all over the world by Y. Ben-Aharon, General-Secretary of the Histadrut.

DAN GALLIN, Secretary General of International Union of Food and Allied Workers, informed the Histadrut of a message sent by him to Presidents Sadat and Assad, stressing that the interests of the Arab peoples cannot be solved by military conflict — calling for an immediate cease-fire and direct negotiations for a durable peace in the Middle East.

The Executive Committee of the Belgian Transport Workers convey to the Israeli workers their fullest feelings of fraternity and sympathy at this moment when all their efforts to build a modern democratic and free nation on a basis of peace have been endangered.

From Holland comes a message signed by the Presidents of the three trade union federations, W. KOK for N.V.V., SPIT for N.K.V. and F. LANSER for C.N.V., expressing their sympathy with the inhabitants of Israel and the victims of the War, and wishing the Histadrut all strength during this ordeal. They too hope for an end to hostilities and a lasting peace.

"Deeply shocked by the acts of aggression against Israel. We express our sincere sympathy with your people," cabled A. EISENBERG, General-Secretary of the Universal Alliance of Diamond Workers.

The Norwegian Trade Unions and the Secretary of the Norwegian Labour Party have urged their government to support Israel in its struggle.

Messages of support were telephoned by the Assistant to the German Minister of Labour and trade union leaders in several states of the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Post, Telephone and Telegraph Workers' International at its European Conference held in Belgium, supports Israel's right to exist, condemns the violation of the cease-fire by Egypt and Syria and conveys its fullest sympathy and solidarity to the people of Israel. This message was sent by S. NEDZYNOSKI, the General-Secretary of P.T.T.I.

U.S. TRADE UNIONS SUPPORT ISRAEL

GEORGE MEANY, President of AFL-CIO sent the following cable to Y. Ben-Aharon, Deputy General-Secretary of the Histadrut.

"The AFL-CIO condemns the unprovoked aggression against Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the Jewish Religion. This treacherous attack, in flagrant violation of the agreed cease-fire, is another expression of Egyptian and Syrian leaders' determination to destroy Israel's independence and sovereignty. We support Israel's fight against aggression. As the Israelis well know, the only effective answer to aggression is defeat of the aggressors."

"We express our deep sorrow for the loss of lives in the war and reiterate our firm belief that the only way of achieving a settlement of the conflict and secure any defensible borders, is through direct negotiations."

"In this grave hour of the Israeli nation, we again express our solidarity with and full support of the State of Israel, the Histadrut and Israeli workers in their struggle for a free society based on democracy and social justice."

Fraternal Greetings
George Meany

LEONARD WOODCOCK, President of U.A.W., the Automobile Workers' Trade Union, issued a statement unreservedly condemning the unprovoked Egyptian-Syrian military attack. He expressed deep sorrow for the loss of lives and his Union's solidarity with and support of Israel, the Histadrut and all Israeli workers.

In his message, S. STEIN, General President and W. DUCHESSE, General Secretary-Treasurer, of the Textile Workers' Union of America, pledge their full support to Israel in its battle for freedom.

JERRY WURF, President of American State, County and Municipal Employees condemns the brutal aggression of Egypt and Syria and reiterates his support of Israel's right to exist in peace and security.

The United Federation of Teachers in its message, signed by A. SHANKER, Union President, condemned Arab aggression and called upon the U.S. Government to provide Israel with the materials necessary to secure its existence.

TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Easy or the Cryptic puzzle.

EASY PUZZLE

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HOME FRONT EFFORT

THERE are many things about Israel which the outside world finds difficult to understand and some which it fails entirely to comprehend. When Mrs. Meir stated in the Knesset last week that any eventual cease-fire arrangements would have to include the immediate return of all our prisoners of war, this was interpreted by a BBC commentator as an expression of anxiety about our manpower resources. Every Israeli, on the other hand, knew immediately that it was a concern for the fate of the captured soldiers, in view of experiences in the past of the treatment meted out to prisoners, particularly by the Syrians.

It is part of Jewish tradition that "all Israel are brothers," that there is a close kinship between the members of the nation. There is general sorrow for every fallen soldier, whether we knew him or not. We have no "unknown soldier," as one Knesset member said the other day. The people is too small for anonymous loss.

It is this sense of kinship, which brings the home-front so much closer psychologically to the front-line than it is in physical fact. Thanks to the 1967 cease-fire lines, the sounds of battle come to the home-front only over the air waves, and on the surface life in the major cities appears to continue more or less normally. Except that a great proportion of those not

engaged directly in the war effort is trying frantically to be included in some kind of voluntary work, which runs from knitting balacava helmets to passing on messages from the men at the front to their families at home.

The intense involvement of all can best be gauged from the response to the appeal for a "voluntary war loan." The compulsory loan is taken for granted and will take its place among the many other deductions made automatically from wage earners' salaries and cheques, and accepted with grumbling or resignation. But not a single voice has been raised against the levying of the additional loan and the banks have reported an excellent response. Some of the contributions may have come from under the mattress, some may be "black money" now turned as white as the driven snow. All are a tangible sign of the people's essential unity in times of danger and the deep desire of every non-combatant to share in some small way the terrible effort demanded of the men on the battle fronts.

Charity, we said in the synagogues on the Yom Kippur, which will go down into history, is among the virtues which help to avert the evil decree. The voluntary loan is not charity, but its results will help to avert the evil decree of death and injury for some, whoever's sons they may be.

FIFTY-SIX per cent of the persons questioned in a British opinion poll favour Edward Heath's decision to deny spares and ammunition for British-made war materiel in Israel. Seventy-nine per cent of Austrians questioned in a survey approved of Kreslaky's decision to close Schoenau. Most Argentines apparently favoured Peron's decision during World War Two to be "even-handed" between Britain and Nazi Germany. We recall that "Cassandra" in the London "Daily Mirror" did not find Argentina's policy something to admire. Nor, quite frankly, do we Israelis find much to admire in Britain's present attitude.

On the face of it, Heath, Kreslaky and Peron seemed to be behaving fairly — until you examine the facts a little more closely. It is certainly fair not to intervene when two men are engaged in fistfights. It is not quite so fair to refrain from intervention when one of the combatants is being hit on the head at regular intervals by a bystander.

No complaints

If all arms manufacturers adopted the embargo, Israel would have nothing to complain about. Suppose Russia stopped supplying the Arab States, and the Western powers stopped supplying Israel: such an arrangement would be rational. But the Russians, their satellites and the non-aligned powers have not the faintest intention of interrupting their vast airlift of weapons. If the Americans had not stepped in, the Anglo-French embargo would be spelling doom to the Jews and their State.

It reminds us of 1955, when there was a general weapons embargo on the Middle East, set up by John Foster Dulles. One day, Nasser concluded an arms deal with the Czechs. Soviet tanks, planes and

guns started pouring in. Israel had placed an order with the Canadians for 12 Sabre-Jet fighters. It was "frozen" under the arms ban.

As long as the ban was universal, we had accepted it meekly, though it gave us a one-to-three ratio in armaments with the surrounding Arab States. But when the Russians broke it in favour of the Arabs, we asked for permission to make corresponding purchases in the West. Dulles said no. The Western embargo remained in force.

Luckily for us, the French quarrelled with the Algerians and found themselves at odds with the Arabs. We began to get Mirages from France.

Eventually the French patched up their quarrel with the Arabs. Before long, they decided to supply an embargo of their own. Fortunately (again) Eisenhower and Dulles had been succeeded in the course of time by other men, and the U.S. came to discover that only Israel was preventing the conversion of the Middle East into a Soviet-dominated zone. Israel had to dismantle its Mirage and Mystere facilities, and take on Skyhawks and Phantoms instead.

The French saved us from one embargo in 1956. The Americans saved us from another a decade later. Without these dissident decisions, Israel would have been thrown to the wolves. Experience teaches us that an embargo applied by some supplier nations, but not all supplier nations, is an act that causes more bloodshed, not less.

The same "even-handedness" applies to the denial of landing rights for American carriers bringing arms and ammunition to re-supply Israel's depleted stocks. What Heath says is that Americans flying across the Atlantic to Tel Aviv may not land in Gibraltar, and Russians flying from Moscow to Damascus may not land in Gibraltar either. What could

be fairer than that, if your geography is weak?

The word "fairness," which once connoted a pragmatic conception of justice peculiar to the British, is becoming debased. And what about another traditional British quality, commercial honesty? Is that going by the board too?

It is beyond belief that a government — any government — should sell us tanks for good money, and then deny us all supply facilities as soon as war breaks out. It is not only a breach of the rules of fair dealing. It is also, intentionally or not, sabotage.

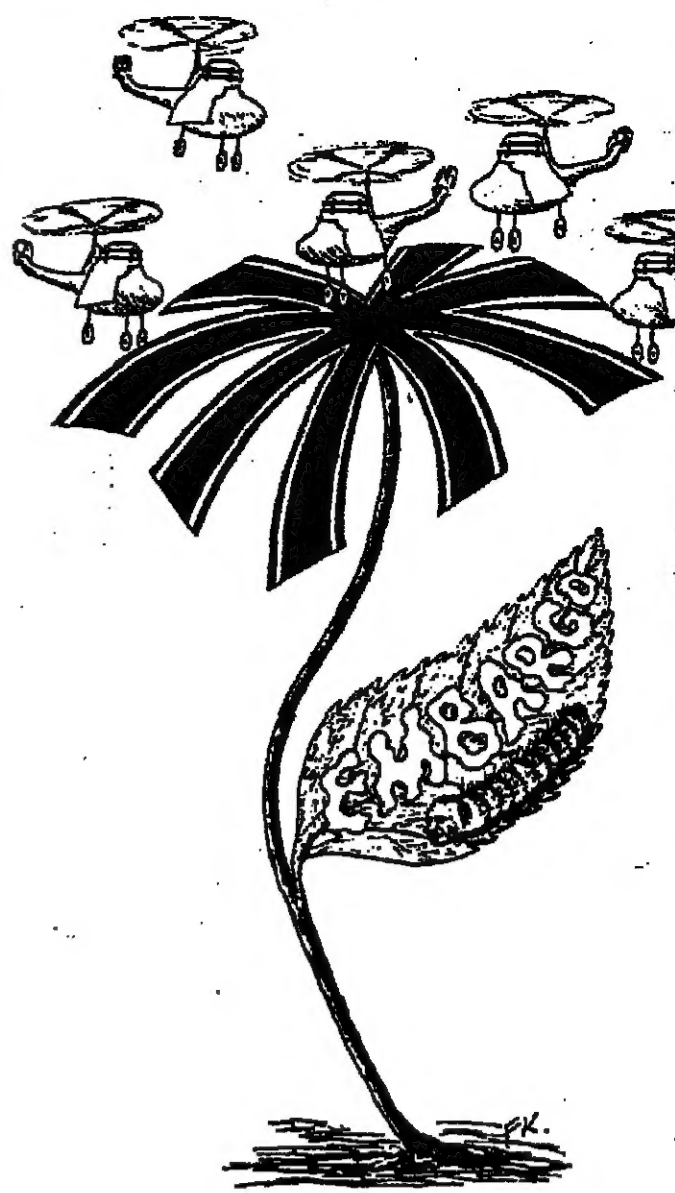
Defence weapons

The tanks were purchased for defence against the Arabs, not against the Portuguese or the Brobdingnagians. Such an investment only yields its return when the vehicles are put to use in war. The sole purpose of a tank is to exchange fire with the enemy. There is no industrial product which depends more on a take-up of spares and replacements, because no civilian product is exposed by its very function to systematic destruction.

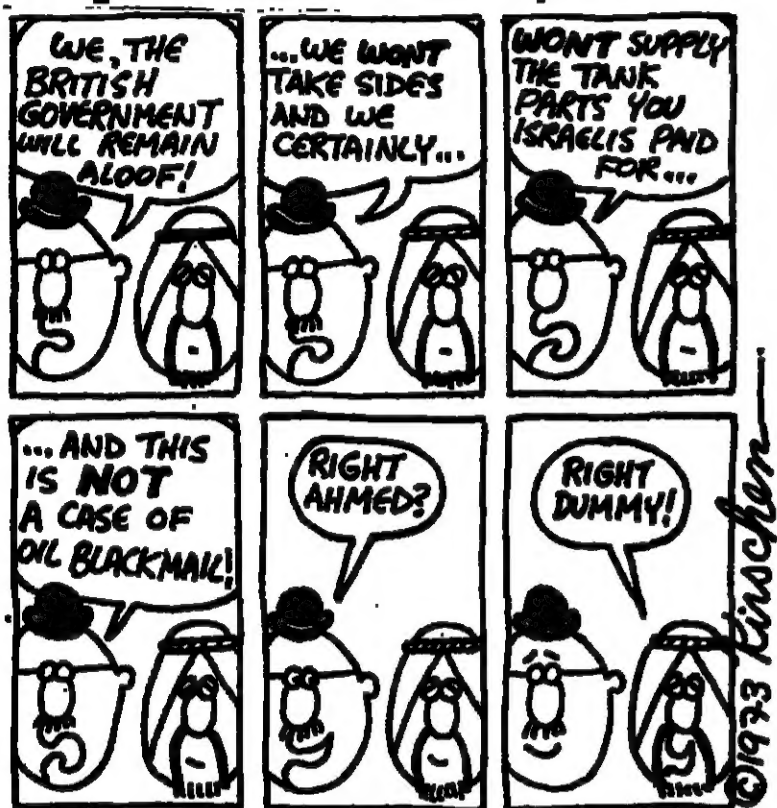
If the British Government had decided that it would halt supplies in any war situation, even if Israel was attacked by the Arabs, the point should have been made clear at the time of purchase. Then Israel could have made up its mind whether it was worth buying the tanks, and if they did, what provision to make for an emergency.

Instead we were given only a general warning that Britain has a right to stop deliveries if political reasons justify it. In the upshot Israel has been manoeuvred into a trap.

All this will certainly strengthen Israel's drive to emancipate herself in future from dependence on the overseas suppliers in an area so vital to her survival.



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ISRAEL PRESS

Kissinger in Moscow

Ha'aretz (non-party) says of Dr. Kissinger's surprise visit to Moscow: It would be wrong to assume that American-Soviet détente, built with so much diplomatic effort over the past few years, is too dear to the two powers to allow developments in the Middle East to upset it. But if the Soviet Union could

participate in preparing an offensive of such dimensions against a country with whose good the U.S. is concerned, then mutual trust between the two powers is seriously impaired. The invitation to Dr. Kissinger is clearly an attempt by Moscow to repair this damage. The Moscow talks will not only call for a cease-fire, but will also attempt to propose a practical arrangement to be instituted when the fighting ends. What this will be, and how effective, depends on the results of the fighting now in progress on both sides of the Canal. And here Israel's victory is a condition sine qua non for any viable solution.

Davar (Histadrut) says Kissinger's visit indicates that the superpowers are keenly interested in saving the détente, despite the diplomatic confusion concerning the Middle East war and the competing air-lifts to the combatant sides. Yediot Aharanot (non-party) assumes that the purpose of Kissinger's visit to Cairo was to work out a cease-fire plan, and that Kissinger has now been invited to Moscow for talks on this plan. "If indeed Mr. Kissinger was unaware of the Secretary of State's plan to visit Moscow, this is a bad sign for us. Israel should reject the plan if it is for a cease-fire without peace; if it is based on the lines of May 1967 (whether in stages or not); and if it involves stationing Soviet or other forces as a wedge to separate the two sides (which would be dangerous for all).

Readers' letters

OFFICIAL CHRISTENDOM'S SILENCE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — If Israel, in order to prevent what happened on Yom Kippur, had opened fire first, the Christian press would have been full of sarcastic comments about this shocking lack of respect for such a holy day. If Israel, in order to protect her very existence, had once opened fire, on a Moslem holy day, this same press would have exploded with shocked comments and protests. I am not exaggerating: Let us only remember June 1967, when one or two shells hit the St. Anne Catholic Church in the Old City, near the Lions' Gate. A wave of protest rose from the Catholic world. And as far as the Protestants are concerned, one need only remember the shocking reaction of the Lutheran Federation, demanding the immediate departure of the "occupying Israeli forces" from Lutheran ground on Mount Scopus. Yet the Lutheran Federation never protested when the Jordanian King's occupying forces started to transform the Augusta Victoria Hospital into an army base weeks before the June war.

But when the Jewish people is murderously attacked on Yom Kippur and, moreover, in the very month of Ramadan, Church leaders (who like to be called Holy Father, Beatitude, Grace and Monsignore, when Jesus came as Servant!) remain silent. They pray, of course, for the cease-fire, thus putting the murderer and the victim in the same category. There are many Christians like me who are fed up with pious prayers which are not followed by declarations of action. The Christian hierarchy and Christian theologians have not accepted the deep prophetic meaning of Israel's resurrection on her land — they refuse to see the evident messianic implications of this unique adventure.

There are, I believe, some 40 patriarchs, beatitudes, graces and monsignori in the Old City of Jerusalem alone. They have all kept quiet since Kippur, although this nation is still in grave danger. Some Christians did publish a protest ("Christians shocked," October 18), and it is certainly a good move. But unfortunately the signatories represent only themselves. They do not speak in the name of their churches. Will one — only one — of the leaders of official Christendom speak up 1967 (whether in stages or not); and save the honour of Christendom?

THE REVEREND CLAUDE DUVERNOY
Jerusalem, October 17.

APPEAL FOR PEACE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — As the entire region of the Middle East has again exploded into bitter conflict, tragic suffering and loss of life, we as representatives of the United Christian Council in Israel express profound shock and dismay that frustrated hopes and dreams of peace have resulted in resumption of fighting. That this outbreak of hostilities occurred on the most sacred and solemn Day of Atonement offends all religious feelings and human sensibilities.

We earnestly call upon all Middle Eastern states, in accordance with the highest aspirations of their religious faiths, to abandon once and for all this easy recourse to bloodshed instead of responsible and fair negotiations, and with equal energy and dedication to begin to devise a strategy of peace, that all who live in this region who have known the full measure of suffering may now be privileged to know the fruits of peace.

We mourn all who have sacrificed life, and grieve for all who suffer. We pray that the one God whom we all fear may mercifully grant that neighbour will yet come to love and accept neighbour, and that a new spirit of tolerance will prevail, and that out from the fires of this conflict will be forged a desperate will for peace and a new path to fruitful coexistence.

THE UNITED CHRISTIAN COUNCIL IN ISRAEL
Executive Committee Members
Ramat Hasharon, October 19.

FRENCH DUPLICITY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I suggest that we place a fragment of a shot-down Libyan Mirage fighter in Paris Square in Jerusalem as permanent proof and reminder of French complicity and duplicity towards Israel.

DANA SYIELLI
Jerusalem, October 19.

THE TALL ISRAELIS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I am a Roman Catholic sister from the U.S. visiting here in Jerusalem. Back home, I have just completed my term of office as Executive Director of the National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice, a church-related agency which I have served for ten years.

In the countless pages of the sacred history of Israel, there is no leaf telling a more epic story than the past 25 years of struggle and success. The current battle in Sinai and on the Golan Heights will only tell us once more how tall are Israelis, tall enough to match the mountains.

The sacred history of Israel is more than carving names onto a rock. It is fashioning a nation — people who are walking through time with the esign of their Maker upon their lives. By what she is, Israel tells the world that persons, not machines, truth, not power, balance the scales of justice in our universe.

SISTER MARGARET ELLEN TRAXLER,
School Sister of Notre Dame
Jerusalem, October 8.

CONGRATULATIONS TO POST OFFICE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — A heartfelt expression of appreciation to the Post Office. On Wednesday night, on the eve of that "Rora," I realized that our telephone was out of order and reported it to "16." On Thursday morning, two technicians appeared and, after working for over an hour had it working again.

JUDITH ALONI
Jerusalem, October 18, 1973

JORDAN RIVER VALLEY REMAINS Q

Amman media celebrate war away from hon

By PATRICK MASSEY

AMMAN (Reuters). — In the third week of the Middle East war, Jordan is reveling in a glow of martial enthusiasm while keeping the battlefield comfortably far from home.

Day after day, press, radio and television pour out stories of triumphal engagements in Sinai and Syria, with special mention for the exploits of Jordanian troops sent to the Syrian front a week ago. Throughout last week not a single shot is known to have been fired across the Jordan River Valley.

Life in the towns and villages of Jordan shows hardly a sign of war. Civilian traffic swirls in its customary frenzy round the hills of Amman and shoppers bustle casually in the market. Hotel guests sprawl beside swimming pools in the strong autumn sunshine. Even the blackout, applied rigidly in the first days of the week, is showing progressively more chinks. The government has reopened Amman Airport and state schools again. There is even traffic across the King Hussein Bridge — otherwise known as the Allenby Bridge — which spans the Jordan between the two hostile sides.

Syrian onslat There is widespread that the Israelis are o The army's director of n tation said: "I believe forces will continue the and their onslaught enemy forces till these out and the area is purg And I expect the Egypt to rush forward till they Milla Foss."

Should the tide go ag Arabs, pressure could King Hussein to throw across the Jordan Valley cue operation.

Even if the Arabs are have lost once more, a triumph may remain. I mentators say that Ara least draw heart from th Israel for once failed to walkover.

An editorial in the "Al-Rai" said: "We shal our first victory is our v defeat, despair and back



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